

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL

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#### THE ENERGY & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

# Senate Bill 984: AAC TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES' AUDITS AND FILINGS

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#### TESTIMONY OF COMMISSIONER ANTHONY PALERMINO

The Department of Public Utility Control (Department) opposes section 2 of Senate Bill No. 984. Senate Bill No. 984 in section 1, clarifies when a document is considered filed with the Department. The Department has no objection to this clarification.

However, section 2 of the bill would exempt all telecommunications companies owned by a parent company from filing reports and other filings which are required by the Department as the result of an audit. The Department strongly objects to the curtailment of its authority to review such financial data and believes this bill is not in the best interest of consumers and ratepayers.

The Department appreciates this opportunity to testify and is available for any further questions.